

## Duvall Library Board – November Meeting Notes

**Meeting Location:** Duvall Library Rose Room

**Date/Time:** Monday, November 26, 2007

**Board Members present:** Don Barden, Alan Butler, Paige Denison, Denny Redman, Karen Wallin

**Duvall Civic Club/Friends of the Library:** Joe Lee Davidson.

**Duvall Library:** Pam Hunter

Denny Redman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Don read meeting notes from October 2007 meeting, which were accepted with minimal discussion.

Don had a question about merging of juvenile and adult non-fiction in the larger libraries. Don asked why were they (KCLS) merging those books in the large library branches but not in the smaller branches? Pam said they are making the change because everybody likes it the way it is now. A committee decided that the branches need to be consistent – sort of a McDonald's effect. Don said that the layout can be any way you want it so long as there is good signage. Paige said that "way-finding" is Newspeak for "signage." Teen fiction will stay separate but non-fiction will be merged. Maybe this has something to do with clustering? The General consensus of the Duvall Library Board on merging of teen non-fiction with adult non-fiction is that there are pluses and minuses, but there seem to be a lot more minuses than pluses.

### **Business Items-**

#### **Old**

**Paige gave an update on the new library.** Somebody from the city will attend future library board meetings. The zoning issue for the Big Rock site goes to the Planning Commission on January 3<sup>rd</sup> and then to the City Council on January 24<sup>th</sup>. Washington Holdings had to resubmit the SEPA checklist due to inconsistencies. The permit is "on course." KCLS is working with architects to get preliminary drawings of the new library.

**Karen summarized notes from the KCLS Budget Meeting.** She figured that most of the folks there were KCLS staff, plus only a handful of regular citizens. The entire meeting consisted of Director Ptacek giving a rather animated reading of the budget documentation. KCLS views the budget three ways: The past year, this year, and the next year. Operating expenditures will be \$91 million. KCLS likes to keep \$10 million in reserve. At some point KCLS will need a new bond issue. Denny said that will be around the end of 2009. Now that I-747 has been overturned, KCLS can

raise the lid, but Pam Hunter says that Pplacek doesn't want to do that; he would rather go with the bond issue. Don added that one thing he got from the meeting was that newer libraries will not get any increases in staffing.

**Don asked Pam if any changes have been made to the clustering concept.** Pam said that some "pre-cluster" staff are grandfathered so they can stay mostly in their preferred community, but the new folks are well and truly "clustered."

**Pam said that the Duvall Library is still looking for a new Library Assistant.**

**Paige said that the Board of Trustees Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>.** Hopefully somebody from the Duvall Library Board will attend so we can get a report on the food that was served. Jennifer Wiseman has reportedly taken a new position, which means she will no longer be in charge of food for the meeting. Things may be headed downhill.

### **New**

**Friends of the Library will be involved in the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony.** The fact that the main effect of the lighting is to make the Christmas tree look like a giant pickle was discussed. Friends of the Library will also be selling light sticks and tear-off calendars. All money collected for these things by the library will go to the library fund; money collected elsewhere can be split up as the Duvall Civic Club determines.

**Friends of the Library/Civic Club is having a White Elephant Auction on January 9<sup>th</sup> of '08.** ATB will be the auctioneer. Most of the Library Board Members will attend because they all have plenty of white elephants. There will be a de-briefing after this event.

**An email tree was discussed.** I think it should be an email cluster.

### **Library needs**

No library needs were identified by Pam.

### **Other**

**Paige suggested we should not meet formally in December due to the holidays.** This was moved, seconded, and approved in about one minute.

### **Next Meeting**

**January 28, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in the Rose Room**

**Adjournment** Meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.